

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1064

By Keisling

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the Macon County High School girls' basketball team, TSSAA Class AA State Girls' Basketball Championship Finalists.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should specially recognize and applaud those successful high school sports teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors for this State; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable group of athletes is the Macon County High School girls' basketball team, which finished the season as runner-up in the 2018 Tennessee Secondary School Athletic Association (TSSAA) Class AA State Girls' Basketball Championship; and

WHEREAS, competing in state-level tournaments is achieved only through hard work, dedication, and the ability to work together as a team and excel with a cooperative spirit, and the Macon County Tigerettes exhibited each of these rare qualities to the finest degree; and

WHEREAS, playing at the Murphy Center on the campus of Middle Tennessee State University in Murfreesboro, the Tigerettes advanced from the first round with a 75-55 win over Cheatham County Central High School to face the top-ten-ranked Westview High School, which team they defeated by a score of 37-32; and

WHEREAS, in the championship game, the Macon County Tigerettes valiantly battled against the Upperman High School Lady Bees, and though the Tigerettes came up short of winning the State Championship, their hard work, determination, and overall athletic prowess are a credit not only to Macon County High School but to all of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, the Tigerettes' season concluded with an exemplary overall record of 30-1, and their tournament appearance gave the team their third silver ball in the past seven years; and

WHEREAS, the members of this magnificent team are Jalynn Gregory, Jamie Ashburn, Abby Shoulders, Taylor Ward, Emily Ashburn, Keeley Carter, Graci Scott, McKaylee Mix, Kyndal Bullington, and Marah King; and

WHEREAS, this team of estimable athletes undoubtedly benefited from the vast knowledge and steadfast leadership of its head coach, Larry White, and assistant coaches, Layce Colter and Brandon Mahaney; and

WHEREAS, the victories over Cheatham County High School and Westview High School were Coach White's first state tournament wins; and

WHEREAS, these young women from Macon County High School epitomize all that is good in today's student athletes, as they have achieved one of the highest levels of success and shown the highest degree of character both in and out of the athletic arena; and

WHEREAS, we find it appropriate to acknowledge and applaud the Tigerettes of Macon County High School for serving as examples of the high quality of the youth of Tennessee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend the Macon County High School girls' basketball team on finishing as runner-up in the TSSAA Class AA State Girls' Basketball Championship, applaud the team's tremendous athletic prowess, and extend to each member our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.